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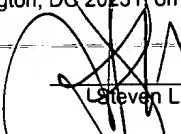
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1. Amendment and Request for Reconsideration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111;
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